

Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will have a deeper understanding of advanced gameplay strategies in Super Smash Bros. Ultimate, including character matchups, stage control, and effective use of special moves. The student will also develop critical thinking skills as they analyze their gameplay and adapt their strategies accordingly.

Materials and Prep

- A Nintendo Switch console with Super Smash Bros. Ultimate installed
- Access to a TV or monitor for gameplay
- A comfortable gaming setup (controller, seating, etc.)
- Time for practice and discussion (approximately 2 hours)

Before the lesson, ensure that the game is updated and the student has a basic understanding of the game mechanics. Encourage the student to think about their favorite characters and any specific challenges they face while playing.

Activities

• Character Analysis:

The student will choose their main character and analyze their strengths and weaknesses. They will compare their character to a few others to understand matchups better.

• Practice Session:

Engage in a series of matches focusing on specific advanced techniques, such as edge guarding, combo execution, and spacing. Take notes on what works and what doesn't.

• Stage Control Drill:

Set up scenarios on different stages to practice controlling the center stage and using the environment to their advantage. Discuss how different stages affect gameplay.

• Review and Reflect:

After gameplay, review recorded matches (if possible) or discuss the key takeaways from the practice session. What worked well? What could be improved?

Talking Points

- "Understanding your character's strengths is crucial. What are your character's best moves?"
- "Matchups can change everything. How does your character fare against others?"
- "Spacing is key. Can you tell the difference between a safe and unsafe move?"
- "Edge guarding can be game-changing. Have you practiced how to keep opponents off the stage?"
- "Combos are important, but timing is everything. How can you improve your timing?"
- "Stage control gives you the upper hand. What strategies can you use to maintain control?"
- "Adaptability is a skill. How do you adjust your playstyle based on your opponent?"
- "Practice makes perfect. What techniques do you need to work on the most?"
- "Watching replays can reveal a lot. What did you notice about your gameplay?"
- "Don't forget about mind games! How can you outsmart your opponent?"
- "Using special moves effectively can turn the tide. Which specials do you find most useful?"

- "Teamwork matters in doubles. How can you support your partner while playing?"
- "Staying calm under pressure is vital. How do you handle stressful moments in a match?"
- "Every loss is a lesson. What did you learn from your last match?"
- "The Smash community is vast. What resources can you explore to improve your skills?"